## Cicala Declaration

Exhibit C



## STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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Antonia C. Novello, M.D., M.P.H., Dr.P.H. Commissioner

Dennis P. Whalen Executive Deputy Commissioner

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## To Whom It May Concern:

The law firm of Kirby McInerney & Squire, LLP has been retained by the City of New York and over three dozen New York county governments to prosecute litigation against pharmaceutical manufacturers directed at recovering damages for the entire New York State Medicaid Program. In that limited capacity, the State of New York hereby deputizes Kirby McInerney & Squire as representing the State of New York's interests for the purposes of the described litigation and for the purpose of obtaining access to the materials covered by the operative protective orders in the Texas State cases styled "The State of Texas ex rel. Ven-A-Care of the Florida Keys, Inc. v. Dey, Inc. et al, Cause No. GV002327" and "The State of Texas ex rel. Ven-A-Care of the Florida Keys, Inc. v. Abbott Laboratories, Inc. et al. Cause No. GV401286."

Sincerely.

Kathryn Kuhmerker Deputy Commissioner

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